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TO: All County Medical Services Program (CMSP) Welfare Directors

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR (FY) 1998-99 CMSP ALLOCATIONS

The purpose of this letter is to inform the CMSP counties that, based on input from the CMSP Governing Board's Fiscal and Administration Committee, the FY 1998-99 eligibility allocations for the CMSP will be the same as they were for FY 1997-98. Counties should be aware, however, that the actual allocation may be higher or lower, depending on the county's total eligibility expenditures for FY 1997-98.

All "CMSP Amended Eligibility Expenditure Reports" must be received by CMSP no later than December 31, 1998, for supplemental allocations to be considered. For those counties which overspent last year's allocation, the CMSP Governing Board may allow an additional allocation to make those counties whole. Please refer to CMSP Letter Number 98-9, dated October 5, 1998, for your county's FY 1997-98 eligibility allocation. After all supplemental claims are received each county will receive a letter indicating whether the county underspent last year's allocation, and the amount to be withheld from the FY 1998-99 allocation.

Until the CMSP eligibility allocation methodology is modified to address the erroneous intake statistics generated from ISAWS (Interim Statewide Automated Welfare System), it is anticipated that the annual CMSP eligibility allocation will remain the same.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Mr. Gary Varner in the CMSP Unit, at (916) 322-1613.

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